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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 6, 1891.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 13080.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill granting a pension to Nancy Jane Knetsar, have examined the same, and report:

That the report of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives hereto appended is adopted, with the following amendment:

Amended by striking out the word "twenty," in line 8, and inserting the word "twelve" in lieu thereof.

HOUSE REPORT.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 13080) granting a pension to Nancy Jane Knetsar, have considered the same and respectfully submit the following report:

At the first session of the present Congress your committee favorably reported to the House a bill (H. R. 3528) granting a pension to James Knetsar, the husband of this claimant, and the report on that bill is made a part of this report, as follows:

"The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 3528) granting a pension to James Knetsar, have considered the same, and report.

"The claimant was a private in Capt. Daniel Powell's company, Third Regiment, Second Brigade, Illinois Volunteers, Black Hawk war, from June 19, 1832, to August 2, 1832, as shown by the records of Second Auditor's Office, Treasury Department.

"The claimant in his petition for a pension for said service swears that he was born December 28, 1814, in White County, Ky.; consequently he is now past 75 years old.

"Twenty-six of the leading citizens of the claimant's home (Moline, Ill.) petition Congress to grant the relief contemplated by the bill, and they state that they have known the claimant for many years as a hard working, honorable, and honest citizen.

"It is also stated by reliable persons that the claimant is in a condition of almost absolute poverty.

"There are many precedents for the allowance of pensions to the aged survivors of the old Indian wars, and your committee report the bill back, recommending its passage."

The bill granting a pension to James Knetsar became a law September 27, 1890, and he died January 1, 1891, leaving a widow (this claimant) without any means of support.

The passage of the bill to pension Mrs. Knetsar is respectfully recommended as amended.